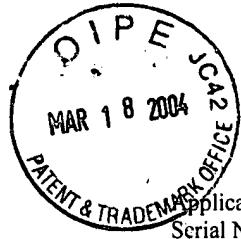


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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Commissioner:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated November 14, 2003 for one month from February 14, 2004 to March 14, 2004.

The fee for extension of time required by 37 CFR § 1.17 is calculated below.

CALCULATION FEE			
LENGTH OF EXTENSION	SMALL ENTITY	LARGE ENTITY	Fee
A. WITHIN FIRST MONTH	\$ 55.00	\$ 110.00	\$55.00
B. WITHIN SECOND MONTH	\$210.00	\$ 420.00	
C. WITHIN THIRD MONTH	\$475.00	\$ 950.00	
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 50-1215. Please show our reference number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. Our Customer Number is 23600. A copy of this letter is enclosed.

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